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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Operations, OSA

SUBJECT: Quarterly Review of Contract Requirements.

1. Following are corrections and/or changes to the IDEALIST Operational Concept, Attachment I to memo from Deputy for Field Activities, OSA, subject, "Operations Concept", 4 February 1966 [redacted].

a. Paragraph 3b. A full time requirement also exists at Detachment "H" for an Operations Officer and Flight Planner from Detachment "G". These two personnel are placed on a temporary duty basis to augment Detachment "H" operation in the event that deployments to [redacted] or another future base for recovery and launching of missions is required.

b. Paragraph 3d. Since the prepositioned equipment and assets at [redacted] were not adequately safeguarded or maintained, it is now necessary to remove the remaining reparable and useable property to [redacted] There it will be repaired and maintained. If a deployment to [redacted] should occur, a large amount of airlift will be necessary to bring in the stored assets and equipment from [redacted] and additional support equipment and personnel from USAFE and Detachment "G".

c. Paragraph 3e(2). In an effort to economize to a degree, present plans anticipate the recall of the FFD-3 and technical representative from Detachment "H". All FFD-3 units in IDEALIST will be stored and maintained at Detachment "G" and be ready for deployment should the occasion arise.

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d. Paragraph 6d. Drop tanks will be used on at least ten missions per year.

e. Paragraph 6h. Oscar Sierra will be required on all operational missions.

f. Paragraph 7a. IDEALIST U-2 aircraft inventory will be maintained at a level of seven. Three each will be at Detachments "G" and "H". One aircraft will be available to Detachment "G" approximately one half of the time. The other half of the time will be required by Lockheed Aircraft Corporation for new equipment modifications and testing.

g. Paragraph 7b. Force level of seven aircraft will be maintained instead of ten.

h. Paragraph 8c. After a careful analysis of existing flying time figures, flying hours available will be computed on a basis of 35 hours per month for each aircraft available. Previous figure used was 30 hours per month.

2. Flying hours available will remain at 2520 hours per year for six aircraft, plus a bonus of 180 hours that will be available to Detachment "G" based on a 50/50 use of the seventh U-2 between Edwards and Lockheed.



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